

Philippine Study Group of Minnesota (PSGM)

October is Filipino-American History Month. Please join PSGM for a presentation on the historic events that transpired in the town of Balangiga, Eastern Samar, Philippines.

The Balangiga encounter of Sept 28, 1901 is considered to be one of the bloodiest chapters in the Philippine-American War (1899 to 1902). The town's church bells were seized and brought to the US as war trophies and were finally returned to Balangiga in December 2018 after a lengthy and persistent campaign.



"Balangiga Bells: A Story of Courage and Friendship" A Power point presentation compiled by Atty. Floro Balato, Jr.

Presented with additional materials by Elsa and Addi Batica

Sunday October 20, 2 to 4pm Philippine Center of Minnesota (PCM) 1380 Frost Ave Ave,. Maplewood, MN 55109

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Light Refreshments will be provided

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